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PREPARING AND USING SAME

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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Supplemental Office Action dated September 29, 1992 rejecting claims 104-109, 113-118, 126-137, 141-144, 148 and 149 in the instant application and replacing the Office Action dated July 23, 1992. A Petition and Fee for a three month extension of the period for response is filed herewith. A new IDS, PTO Form-1449, accompanying references and appropriate Fee will be filed shortly. Applicants note that rejection and/or objections not reiterated from the previous Office Actions are withdrawn. Applicants respectfully traverse the present rejections and request reconsideration and withdrawal thereof in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows: